



March 2, 2012

Good News regarding **Franklin's Civil War History**. The **State of Tennessee's Sequicentennial Commission** has identified the **Battle of Franklin** as a "focal point" event for the Fall of 2014. This is one of five Civil War events identified by the commission. This is great news! Staff, representatives from the Battlefield Commission and the Convention and Visitors Bureau is reaching out to the commission to understand all that is involved in this designation and to coordinate local with state efforts.

The **Street Department** would like to recognize the following employees who have received certifications in Jan. & Feb. 2012:

John Carrington – University of TN, Master Gardener

Jack Goins – IMSA Signs & Marking Specialist Level II

James Collier – IMSA Signs & Marking Specialist Level II

Owen Venable –

- 1) ASE T4 M/H Truck: Brakes
- 2) ASE T5 M/H Truck: Suspension & Steering
- 3) ASE T7 M/H Truck: Heating, Ventilation, & A/C
- 4) ASE T3 M/H Truck: Drive Train

The Parks Department is looking for volunteers for the clean up and historic preservation of Fort Granger Park on March 31 beginning at 8:00 a.m.-12 noon. Volunteers are needed to spread mulch, prune back vegetation, remove cuttings, and pick up trash and more. For more information about Park Day at Fort Granger, please contact Deanna Scheffel by phone at 615 794-2103 or by e-mail at parksinfo@franklintn.gov.



More good news from the **Parks Department**, in 2009, the Department installed **LED parking lot lamps** in Jim Warren Park. Staff installed 29 lights that carry a 5-year 50,000 hour warranty. The department is happy to report an **80 percent energy savings**, not to mention the \$1,500 annual savings on replacement costs and labor. You can read more about this project in the City's next newsletter.

Allen Lewis of Building and Neighborhood Services is this week's winner for the Mayor's parking space. Allen was nominated by Vernon Gerth after a call from a customer. Kelvin Brown, the general contractor for Porta Via Restaurant recognized Allen along with Ran Edwards and Wayne Mobley. Wayne won a short time ago and Ran's name remains in the basket. The

contractor said, “your guys (of BNS) worked with me hard and I feel like they were there to support me. Thank you, the team was very good, professional and I appreciate all their efforts.” **Allen can begin parking in the Mayor’s spot Monday, March 5. Nominate anyone you see doing a good job at agoodjob@franklintn.gov .**

Have a great weekend. Thanks for all you do!

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